A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PARKING.

| | BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII: |
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| 1 | SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to establish a |
| 2 | parking cash-out working group to address improvements to air |
| 3 | quality and reduction of traffic congestion through the |
| 4 | potential use of cash allowances in lieu of employer subsidized |
| . 5 | parking. |
| 6 | SECTION 2. (a) There is established the parking cash-out |
| 7 | working group to research and explore the idea of a parking |
| 8 | cash-out program that would enable businesses and employers to |
| 9 | offer cash allowances in lieu of parking subsidies to provide |
| 10 | incentives for other forms of transportation that are less |
| 11 | dependent on fossil fuels. |
| 12 | (b) The working group shall address and make |
| 13 | recommendations on: |
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- (1) The potential benefits and impacts associated with 14 implementing the program; 15
- 16 (2) The approximate cost and other financial impacts of **17** the program;

| 1 | (3) | The most appropriate state department to administer, |
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| 2 | | implement, and enforce a parking cash-out program; and |
| 3 | (4) | Any other issues that may arise, pursuant to the |
| 4 | | discretion of the working group. |
| 5 | (c) | The working group shall also consider: |
| 6 | (1) | The potential for other programs and efforts that may |
| 7 | | help reduce greenhouse gas emissions and modernize |
| 8 | | parking policies and parking management, such as |
| 9 | | carbon pricing mechanisms that minimize regressivity, |
| 10 | | via structures such as equity-based tax credits or |
| 11 | | carbon fees and dividends; and |
| 12 | (2) | Whether a pilot program or other method would be best |
| 13 | | suited to accomplish the goals and implementation of a |
| 14 | | parking cash-out or similar program. |
| 15 | (d) | The working group shall consist of the following |
| 16 | members: | |
| 17 | (1) | The chairs of the senate and house of representatives |
| 18 | | standing committees on transportation, or their |
| 19 | | designees, who shall serve as chairpersons of the |
| 20 | | working group; |

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| 1 | (2) | The chairs of the senate standing committee on |
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| 2 | | commerce, consumer protection, and health and house of |
| 3 | | representatives standing committee on consumer |
| 4 | | protection and commerce, or their designees, who shall |
| 5 | | serve as vice-chairpersons of the working group; |
| 6 | (3) | The vice chair of the senate standing committee on |
| 7 | | commerce, consumer protection, and health; |
| 8 | (4) | One member appointed by the president of the senate; |
| 9 | (5) | on member appointed by the speaker of the house of |
| 10 | | representatives; and |
| 11 | (6) | One representative from the Chamber of Commerce |
| 12 | | Hawaii. |
| 13 | (e) | The working group may request assistance and feedback |
| 14 | from the | department of transportation and department of human |
| 15 | resources | development to provide expertise to assist the working |
| 16 | group in | exploring the implementation of a parking cash-out |
| 17 | program. | |
| 18 | (f) | The working group shall report its findings and |
| 19 | recommend | ations, including any proposed legislation, to the |
| 20 | legislatu | re no later than twenty days prior to the convening of |
| 21 | the regul | ar session of 2020. |

- 1 (g) The members of the working group shall serve without
- 2 compensation but shall be reimbursed for expenses, including
- 3 travel expenses, necessary for the performance of their duties.
- 4 (h) No member of the working group shall be subject to
- 5 chapter 84, Hawaii Revised Statutes, solely because of the
- 6 member's participation in the working group.
- 7 (i) The working group shall be dissolved on June 30, 2020.
- 8 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2019.

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Report Title:

Air Quality; Traffic Congestion; Parking Cash-out Program; Parking Subsidy; Working Group

Description:

Establishes a working group to research and explore the idea of developing and implementing a parking cash-out program. (SD1)

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